

If There Is No God - Explain This!

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Often people say, "If you think there is a God, then prove it!" They may have already determined that there is no god, so they may feel that it is up to believers to prove their point. But no matter what you believe, you should always be able to show evidence for why you believe what you believe. Unfortunately though too often too many people hear supposed evidence which appears to them to support their biased belief and they believe it confirms their belief without looking at evidence which may support an opposing view. Convinced they are right, they often don't want to see other views. They don't really make educated decisions based on all the available evidence. Lately this lack of reasoning applies to many people's political beliefs as well as their spiritual ones.

I once had doubts in God's existence, so I researched many views to learn what made the most logical sense. My extensive research has revealed to me so much evidence which supports God's existence that I would be a fool to say God does not exist. Since there is so much evidence for God's existence, the real challenge for non-believers is to prove that God does not exist. So I propose to anyone questioning the existence of God to try to answer the following questions. (Also believers should be able to discuss these topics with non-believers.) Answering only one to your satisfaction is not enough; you should be able to answer them all.

If you would like to see how my research has answered these questions, and many more, visit my website: www.BiblicalReliability.com and read the articles listed throughout this handout. Mainly see the articles "Evidence For Biblical Reliability Audio CD Script" (abbreviated as "**EBR**") under the "Articles" tab then "How Reliable the Bible Is". Also see "Creative Views of Science Audio Script" (abbreviated as "**CVS**") under the "Articles" tab then "How Science Supports Creation" then "Scientific Foundation". Whether God exists or not is so important to our present spiritual life and our eternal life to come, so hopefully answering these questions will help you think more deeply about God's existence and whether you want to believe in God and accept Him.

- 1) How did the **universe form** if there was no matter or energy in the very beginning? What caused all the matter and energy to form in the beginning? (See the "Origin of the Universe" chapter in the **CVS** article)
- 2) How did the **first living cell** and cell wall form & how did it discover how to reproduce itself before it died? A living cell is too complex and organized to have happened by chance. (See the "Origin of Life" chapter in the **CVS** article) (Also see "25 Reasons to Doubt Evolution" under "How Science Supports Creation")
- 3) How do you explain **Scientific Foreknowledge** in the Bible? The Bible is filled with scientific and medical facts written thousands of years before man discovered them. How could the authors have written such facts if they were not inspired by the all-knowing God? (See the "Science" chapter in the **EBR** article)
- 4) How do you explain **Fulfilled Prophecy** in the Bible? The Bible records predictions in detail of events which occurred in the New Testament but more than 100 years before they occurred and the Dead Sea Scrolls proved they were not written after their occurrences. Therefore we must be prepared for what the Bible says about the future. (See the "Prophetic Accuracy – Predictive Ability" chapter in the **EBR** article)
- 5) How do you explain the **transformation** of selfish people who had hate, anger and/or violence in their heart, only to become people with love, peace and respect for others? (See the "Power to Change Lives" chapter in the **EBR** article)
- 6) Why have many different people groups around the world **felt compelled to worship** something or someone greater than themselves throughout the ages? Could God have designed this into our DNA, or is it by chance? (See the "Evidence for God" chapter in the **EBR** article)
- 7) How do you explain **miracles** – things that happen which cannot be explained by science – which have occurred throughout the ages and continue to occur today. (See the article "Miracles – God's Tools" under "How to Grow in the Christian Faith" under "Articles" then "Understanding the Bible")
- 8) If there is no **spirit**, how can a clinically dead man, lying in an operating room, remember (and later recall) specific, accurate details of who he saw and what was said in far away rooms in the hospital? (See the article "Life Soon After Death" – select "Articles" then "What Our Near Future & Eternal Life may Be Like")

Also read the article "Proof" under the "Articles" tab then "Helping Non-Believers to Believe".